

## WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR CHILD'S VIRTUAL PLAY-BASED ASSESSMENT

The play-based assessment provides our teachers, administrators, and admissions staff the opportunity to get to know your child and observe your child's social-emotional and academic development in a one-on-one setting. The virtual assessment will take place in the comfort of your own home and we recommend that you have a few materials available for your child to use during the duration of the play date.

Play dates generally last 30 minutes for our incoming PreK-1 and PreK-2 students and 45 minutes for our incoming Kindergarten and grade 1 students. A typical virtual play date features time for our team member to get to know your child, followed by an age-appropriate lesson or activity led by one of our teachers or administrators.

## **Preparing for the Virtual Assessment**

Your child should be comfortable and sitting in a chair at a table, with a tablet, phone, or laptop. Please have these materials ready for your child:

- > Several sheets of paper
- > Writing or drawing utensils (crayons / color pencils / markers / pencils)
- > A favorite book
- > A building activity (magna-tiles / blocks / legos)

For students applying to Kindergarten and Grade 1, please additionally have:

- > A ruler or tape measure
- > Scissors

Please set aside up to an hour for the assessment, though it should take much less time.

One adult (a parent, guardian, caregiver, family member) is required to be present, but this person is expected to only provide technological support as needed. We hope to interact with your child independently of the parent or caregiver through Zoom. Please note that the adult in the room should sit behind and to the side of your child so that our teacher may see that person during the entirety of the assessment.

If your child is sick, please do let us know the night before or morning of the virtual play date! Call us to reschedule at 718 643 6302 and/or send an email to brooklyn-admissions@basisindependent.com.